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PART II-A.

NOTIFICATIONS RELATING TO LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT.

MUNICIPAL AND LOCAL BOARDS.

No. L. 2276—*Ml.* 7-25-2, *dated* 24*th September* 1925.

Under Section 48 (1) of the Land Acquisition Regulation, VII of 1894, Government are pleased to withdraw from the acquisition of Survey Nos. 354 and 467 of Chamarajnagar village, declared for acquisition in Notification No. R. 12,667—Ml. 8-20-23, dated the 13th May 1921 as required for the extension of Chamarajnagar Town.

By Order,
B. NAGAPPA,
Secretary to Government,
Local and Legislative Departments.

BANGALORE DISTRICT.

No. 8.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 12TH SEPTEMBER 1925, AT 8 A.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present ... 18 | Absent ... 10

Vacant 2.

I. The Proceedings of the Council meetings, dated 15th August 1925 and 21st August 1925 were read and recorded.

II. *Water Supply.*—Before the Proceedings began, the President explained to the Council the very grave situation staring us in the face regarding the supply of water owing to the rapid fall of the Hessarghatta Tank level and read to the Council the two communications Nos. 370, dated 4th September 1925 and 392, dated 8th September 1925, received from the

Executive Engineer, Water Supply Division, on the subject and the notice issued by the Municipal Commissioner, requesting the public to exercise economy in the use of tap water, which was intended mainly for domestic purposes. He further said that he had seen the Chief Engineer twice in this connection and suggested to him measures to tide over the situation.

2. At the request of the President, the Range Officer, Mr. M. L. Narasimha Iyengar then explained the present situation.

3. Messrs. G. B. Raghavendrachar, C. K. Hutchappa, S. N. M. Razvi, Belur Srinivasiengar, R. Gopalaswamy Iyer, B. Abdur Rahmon, C. Hayavadana Rao, C. N. Narasinga Rao, B. L. Byanna and others complained about the difficulty of water felt by the people in their respective Divisions and requested that necessary steps be adopted to give relief to the people.

4. Thereupon the Range Officer said that it was very desirable and necessary that a few more taps should be opened in low levels at places to be fixed by the Councillors in all the Divisions of the City so that water may be made available at least at those taps during specified hours of the day with a view to creating facilities to those living in higher levels to which water would not reach. A programme was then drawn up by the Range Officer for the inspection of the several Divisions with the Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors.

5. It was further observed that the use of water for gardening purposes should be effectively stopped as it is within the common knowledge of all that much water is being wasted in this direction and that the Water Works Department be requested to take prompt steps in the matter. To this all Municipal Councillors agreed.

6. The Council then unanimously passed the following resolution :—

"Resolved that on account of the very grave situation of water supply in the Hessarghatta Tank, on account of the failure of the monsoon so far and the limited quantity of water available in the tank, the Executive Engineer, Water Supply Division be requested to stop at once all water used for gardening and other non-domestic purposes for which the pipe water is now ordinarily used and that no relaxation in this respect should be permitted."

III. The interpellations of Messrs. B L. Byanna, S. N. M. Razvi and B. Abdur Rahmon were read and answered.

IV. *Urgent Subject.*—

Municipal Commissioner's note, dated 20th August 1925, regarding the levy of enhanced water rate on vacant sites, sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated 22nd July 1925.

Municipal Commissioner's Note.

In para 8 B (*a*) of the Government Order, dated 22nd July 1925, on the Water Supply Scheme, the Government in ordering the enhancement of water tax say that the water tax is enhanced "From 3/5 per cent to 1 per cent of the building tax in respect of vacant sites" That this is not correct will be clear from the following considerations :—

The present water rate on vacant sites is "3/5 of the building tax" and not "3/5 per cent" which is a very infinitesimal amount and the water tax which is actually collected on vacant sites is 3/5 of the tax on them, *i.e.*, if 4 annas in the vacant site tax on 100 square yards, the water tax on that extent of vacant site is 3/5 of 4 annas or 2 annas 5 pies. By some mistake, the words "per cent" have crept in the Council resolution on the subject and therefore also in the Government Order. If it is the intention of the Council that the water tax on vacant sites should be increased from 3/5 to 1 or in other words that the water tax should be equivalent to the vacant site tax, then the words "per cent" occurring in both the places should be deleted. But if the Council considers that as by enhancement of the vacant site tax from 4 annas to 8 annas per 100 square yards, the water tax also is automatically increased from 2 annas 5 pies to 4 annas 10 pies and that any further increase of water tax in this respect is not desirable, then the words "from 3/5 per cent to 1 per cent of the building tax in the case of vacant sites" should be deleted.

M. G. KRISHNASWMY RAO.

Resolution.—Resolved that as it is the intention of the Council that the water tax on vacant sites should be equivalent to the vacant site tax, the words "per cent" occurring after "3/5" and "1" in resolution No. 2 D. (*iii*) Raising of the Water Rate of the Council meeting, dated 7th March 1925 be deleted, which would in effect mean that the water rate on vacant site be made equal to the vacant site tax itself and that necessary correction be required to be made in the Government Order No. L. 509-512—Ml. 127-23-13 dated 22nd July 1925, para 8 B (*a*).

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10. Government Order No. L. 1196-7—Ml. 22-24-37, dated 20th August 1925, sanctioning with effect from 10th August 1925, an increase of pay to Mr. M. Govinda

Rao, B.A., B.L., the present Office Manager to Rs. 200 per mensem and authorising him to sign fair copies of papers, the drafts of which have been approved by the Municipal Commissioner.

Resolution.—Recorded.

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15. Opinion of the Bye-law Committee, dated 20th May 1925, approving the following suggestions of Mr. P. M. Basappa, Municipal Councillor in his letter, dated 20th February 1925 :—

(*a*) That all pleasure cars be uniformly taxed at the rate of Rs. 25 and all tiny (or cycle) cars at Rs. 18 per year.

Resolution.—(*a*) Resolved unanimously that all pleasure cars be uniformally taxed at Rs. 36 a year and all tiny (or cycle) cars at Rs. 20 a year.

(*b*) That the tax on all motor busses be levied between Rs. 40 and Rs. 70 in proportion to the carrying capacity of 8 to 32 passengers.

(*c*) That a tax of Rs. 80 be levied on all motor waggons.

Resolution.—(*b*) and (*c*). Deferred.

17. Letter No. St. 379, dated 13th April 1925, from the Secretary, Municipal Education Committee, forwarding the resolution of the Education Committee meeting held on 6th April 1925 in the matter of starting a primary school, in Chamarajpet West, as prayed for by the residents of that locality.

Resolution.—Approved.

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19. Letter No. 42, dated 13th August 1925, from the Secretary, Municipal Education Committee, proposing that 15 additional teachers may be entertained forthwith as the existing primary schools, are understaffed and the number of pupils seeking admission is increasing.

Resolution.—Approved.

21. Correspondence ending with letter No. St. 602, dated 15th August 1925, from the Organising Scout Commissioner, the Boy Scouts of Mysore, Bangalore, forwarding a copy of resolution passed by the Executive Committee, Boy Scouts of Mysore, requesting that a contribution of at least Rs. 750 be made for the construction and equipment of the boat house, proposed to be built at the Kempambudhi Tank.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

25. Opinion of the Municipal City Improvement Committee, dated 14th August 1925, suggesting that steps may be taken to remove the temple in the triangular piece of land in front of the Gubbi Theatre, except the portion of the temple forming Sanctum Sanctorum.

Resolution.—Approved.

26. Opinion of the City Improvement Committee, dated 27th August 1925 approving the acquisition of certain properties to the north of the present Mutton Market and the old Bonded Warehouse on the Mysore Road for the construction of a new Mutton and Fish Market.

Resolution.—Approved.

28. Letter No. 280, dated 31st August 1925 from the Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, submitting an estimate for Rs. 4,564 for constructing a parapet wall 2 feet high along the berm of the Markrt Circus to receive ornamental railings.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

30. Municipal Commissioner's memo, dated 29th August 1925, stating that the term of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu, L.C.E., Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, expires on 10th October 1925, with a statement of works, on hand.

Resolution.—The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar and seconded by Mr. B. L. Byanna and supported by Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao.

"Resolved that the service of Mr. C. Vijayarangum Naidu, Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, be not renewed on and after the 10th October 1925, when it terminates under Government Order No. L. 2257-60—Ml. 161-21-6 dated 19—20th September 1923, and that the Municipal Commissioner be requested to place before the Council meeting suitable proposals for carrying through the improvement works with an adequate subordinate staff under the Municipal Executive Engineer or otherwise."

The proposition was put to vote and carried unanimously.

34. Letter No. 287, dated 2nd September 1925, from the Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, Bangalore, forwarding for sanction an estimate for Rs. 1,092 for constructing a plat-form for "Band Stand" in the middle of the southern edge of the Market Circus.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

35. Letter No. 284, dated 2nd September 1925, from the Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, Bangalore, forwarding an estimate for Rs. 4,585 for erecting an ornamental railing on the southern berm of the Market Circus.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

40. Memo No. 554, dated 3rd September 1925, from the Municipal Engineer, submitting for sanction an estimate for Rs. 1,149 for planting avenue trees on the Mysore Road.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

Before the meeting dispersed, the President said that he heard with great regret that the Hon'ble Diwan Bahadur L. D. Swamikannu Pillay, M.A., B.L., President of the Legislative Assembly, Madras, died on the 11th September 1925 and proposed that this house do record their sorrow at this unhappy event.

This was carried unanimously.

MOHAMED ABBAS KHAN,
Honorary President.

MYSORE CITY MUNICIPALITY.

EXTRACT FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE 1ST (ORDINARY) MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, MYSORE, HELD IN THE NEW MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDINGS ON SATURDAY THE 8TH AUGUST 1925, AT 8 A.M.

Members.

Present	27	Absent	3

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1. Proceedings of the meeting held on the 27th June 1925.

Confirmed.

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4. Proceedings of the following committee for June 1925:—

i. Managing Committee.
ii. Health Committee.
iii. Town Hall Committee.
iv. Market Committee.
v. Bye-law Committee
vi. Schools Committee.

Regarding (i) Mr. C. Narasimhiah suggested and Mr. P. S. Ramaswami Iyengar seconded that the Managing Committee minutes should not be confirmed as the meetings were held at 4-30 P.M. instead of at 5 P.M. as resolved by the Managing Committee. Mr. C. Narasimiah stated that he had brought this to the notice of the President who disclaimed any authority to interfere with the hours of business of the Managing Committee. The letters exchanged in this connection were read. The Chairman of the Committee and others said that there was no such resolution or understanding and although minutes were not circulated they were recorded and confirmed at each successive meetings. Poll was demanded by Mr. P. Seetharamiah and seconded by Mr. P. S. Ramaswami Iyengar and votes were taken for confirming the minutes of the Managing Committee.

For.	*Against.*
Mr. Tippu Sultan Alli Khan	Mr. C. Narasimiah
Dharmaprakasa Mr. D. Banumiah	,, P. Seetharamiah
Mr. M. C. Thammiah	,, S. Srikantachari
,, T. Thampiran	,, M, Ramaswamy
,, K. Dhanakotichetty	,, M. Venkatakrishniah
,, M. P. Bhogiah	,, B. K. Ramakrishniah
,, Mahomed Gouse Peer	,, P. S. Ramaswami Iyengar
,, H. C, Dasappa	
,, U. R. Lingoji Rao	
The following members *refrained from voting*:—	
Mr. Y. Virupakshiah	Mr. A. Krishna Rao
,, M. K. Madhava Rao Powar	,, M. Narayanaswamy
,, Mahomed Sait	,, T. Basavaraj Urs.
Rev, E. S. Edwards	,, M. Madappa

As regards Schhol Committee proceedings about school hours, Mr. P. S. Ramaswami Iyengar wanted his letter to be read out, but the Council resolved to deal with the matter separately at the next meeting.

The proceedings of other committees were recorded.

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11. Continuance of the Baramarga establishment for a further period of one year from 1st July 1925.

Resolved that the period of this establishment be extended for three months till the end of September 1925.